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Flag Day Reading Comprehension

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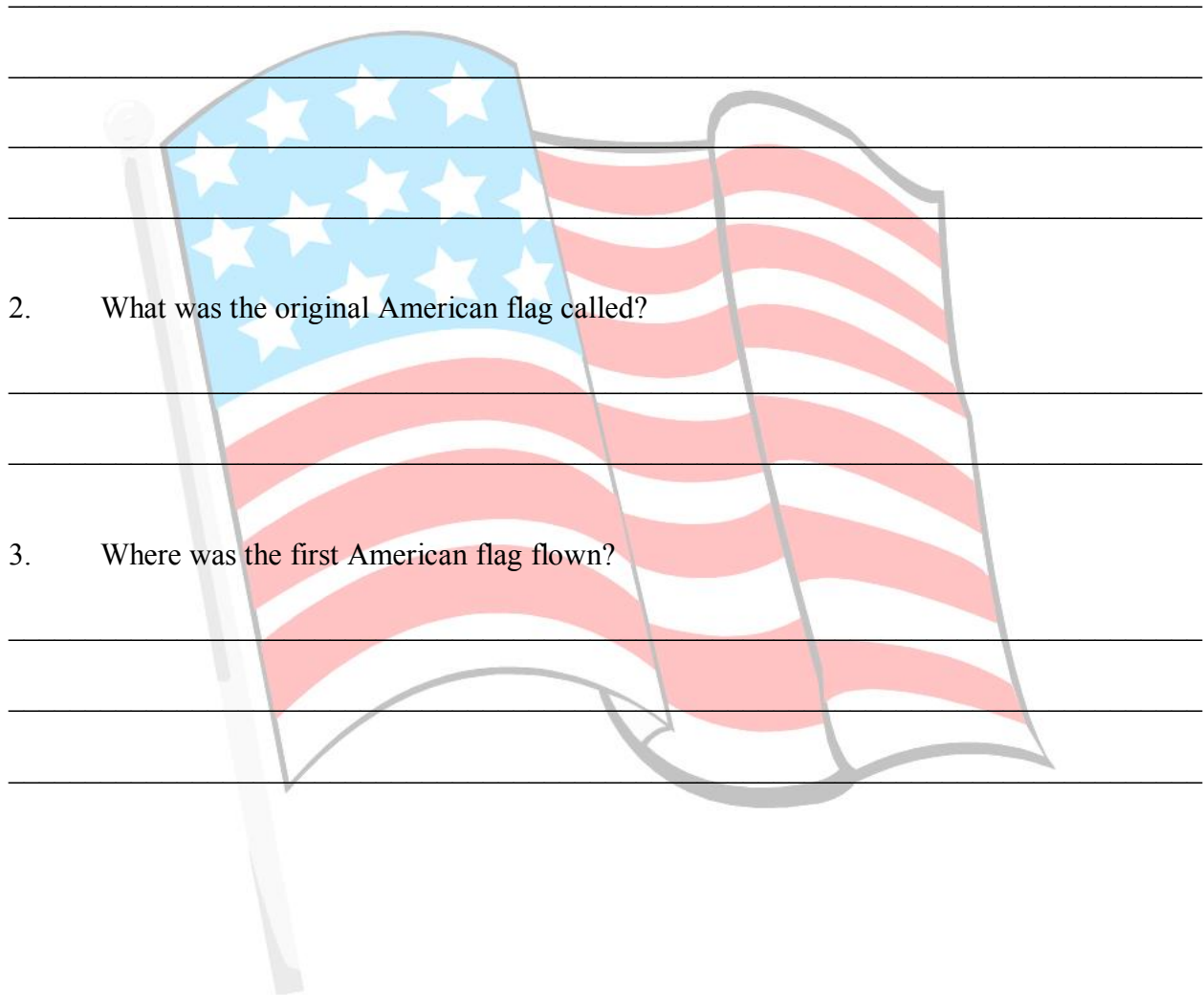
Directions:

Read the text below. Answer each question that follows in a complete sentence.
Remember to proofread for correct spelling and punctuation.

American Flag

The American flag has experienced many changes. In fact, the American flag has had more changes than any others, worldwide! The Grand Union was the first term used for the first American flag. This flag was flown on January 1, 1776 at the Continental Army's headquarters.

1. What has the American flag encountered over the years?



2. What was the original American flag called?

3. Where was the first American flag flown?

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American Flag

The American flag contains 50 stars. Each star represents a state of the United States of America. The state of Hawaii was the last state to be represented with a star on the flag. Hawaii marked the 50th star on the American flag.



1. How many stars are on the American flag?

2. What does each star represent?

3. What state was the last state to be represented?

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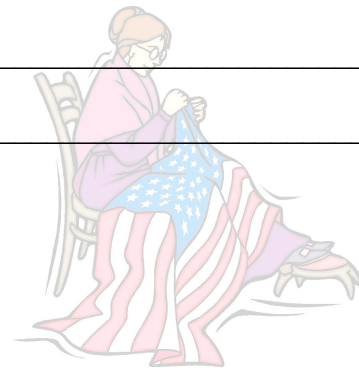
Betsy Ross

George Washington was a member of the Continental Congress. He along with two other members requested Betsy Ross to sew the very first American flag. Betsy Ross completed the American flag when she was around 24 years old. She sewed thirteen stars, arranged in the shape of a circle, on the flag.

1. What was George Washington a member of?

2. How did Betsy Ross make the flag?

3. How many stars were on the first American flag?



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Betsy Ross

Betsy Ross was a seamstress. She had her own business, which upholstered flags in Pennsylvania for the Navy. Historical accounts attribute credit to the design as partly from Betsy. The first design had 13 stars arranged in a circle.



1. What does a seamstress do?

2. Whom did Betsy Ross work for?

3. Describe the first American flag.

Name _____
Flag Day

Date _____

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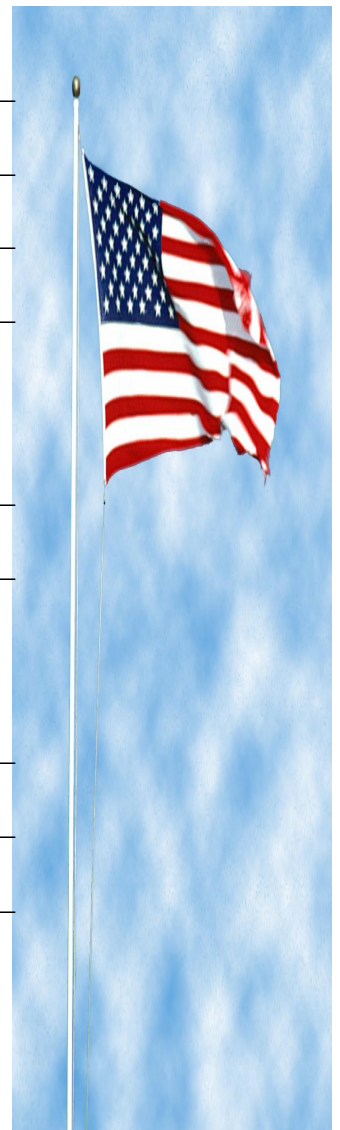
Flag Day

The American flag turned 225 years old on June 14th, 2002. The stars and stripes pattern that decorates the American Flag was chosen by the Continental Congress in the year 1777. The first celebration of Flag Day was held in 1877. This first celebration marked the centennial celebration of the flag.

1. How old was the American flag in the year 2002?

2. How many years have passed for a centennial celebration?

3. When is Flag Day?



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Flag Day

President Harry Truman was the individual who signed the documents necessary to make Flag Day a day of national observance. Truman signed the legislation in 1949. The first Flag Day was celebrated in 1877!



1. What president signed the documents to make Flag Day an official national holiday?

2. In what year was Flag Day nationally recognized as a day of observance?

3. In what year was the very first Flag Day celebrated?

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Flag Day

June 14th was dedicated as Flag Day by President Harry Truman. President Truman made this dedication in August of 1949. Since this dedication, Presidents each year encourage Americans to display the American flag outside. Often, flags are displayed in public places and special ceremonies take place.

1. Who proclaimed Flag Day?

2. When was Flag Day dedicated?

3. What is encouraged each Flag Day by the President?



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Star Spangled Banner

During the War of 1812, Francis Scott Key selected the words that make up the song the Star Spangled Banner. The Star Spangled Banner is known as the United State's National Anthem. The music of the Star Spangled Banner was aligned with an English drinking song of that era.

1. Who wrote the Star Spangled Banner?

2. What is the Star Spangled Banner?

3. During what war was the song written?

*Oh, Say Does That
Star-Spangled
Banner Yet Wave...*

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Star Spangled Banner

Francis Scott Key composed the words to the Star Spangled Banner. Key, an attorney, viewed an American flag that survived a battle during the War of 1812 in the Baltimore Harbor. This sight provided the inspiration for Key to compose the words of a poem ultimately turned into a musical rendition.

*Oh, Say Does That
Star-Spangled
Banner Yet Wave...*

1. Who wrote the Star Spangled Banner?

2. During what war was Key inspired to compose the words?

3. Prior to being a song, in what form were the words composed in?

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Star Spangled Banner

Francis Scott Key composed the words to the Star Spangled Banner during the War of 1812. After noticing an American flag that survived a battle in the Baltimore Harbor, Key composed a poem. The Museum of American History, located in Washington, D.C., contains the very flag Key witnessed.

1. Who wrote the Star Spangled Banner

2. After a battle, in what harbor did Key notice the American flag?

3. Where is the flag today that Key saw?

*Oh, Say Does That
Star-Spangled
Banner Yet Wave...*

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Answers

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1. many changes
2. Grand Union
3. Continental Army's headquarters

Page 3

1. 50
2. a state
3. Hawaii

Page 4

1. Continental Congress
2. sewing
3. 13

Page 5

1. sew
2. herself
3. 13 stars in a circle

Page 6

1. 225 years old
2. 100
3. June 14

Page 7

1. Harry Truman
2. 1949
3. 1877

Page 8

1. Harry Truman
2. August 1949
3. display a flag

Page 9

1. Francis Scott Key
2. United States Anthem
3. War of 1812

Page 10

1. Francis Scott Key
2. War of 1812
3. a poem

Page 11

1. Francis Scott Key
2. Baltimore Harbor
3. Museum of American History